

These are the minutes of the Regular Session of the City of Adams, WI held on May 15, 2006 in the City Municipal Building.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Romell. On roll call were Alderpersons Eggebrecht, Hardin, Jensen, LaQuee, Sherd, Williams, Mayor Romell, Attorney Pollex, Administrator Ellisor, Chief Gold, and Street Superintendent Mead.

Motion by Eggebrecht, second by Hardin to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2006 meeting as printed. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Petitions and Communications: LaQuee requested that the flag be taken down and replaced. Mayor Romell stated that Adams County "Hazardous Waste Clean Sweep" will be Saturday, June 3rd from 8 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Clean Sweep is a program to help people properly dispose of hazardous materials.

Report of Standing Committees:

Personnel Committee: The Personnel Committee met May 4 and May 15, 2006.

May 4: One applicant was present for the interview. It was recommended to have Chief Gold and Administrator Ellisor prepare documents for the hiring of Mr. Jeffrey Krull for part-time officer position.

May 15: Due to guard, the second applicant was unable to attend the meeting. Motions were made to table until individual is available.

The committee interviewed Janet Winters for the Clerk/Treasurer Position. A question and answer session was held. The Committee authorized Mayor Romell and Administrator Ellisor to negotiate the Clerk/Treasurer position with Janet Winters.

Public Safety Committee: The Safety Committee met May 9, 2006.

Zoning violations were discussed.

It was recommended to approve the ordinance relating to Tarped structures.

The committee held discussion relating to Parking on East Center Street.

There was a recommendation that a list of junk vehicle owners cited be available for the next meeting.

Chief Gold stated the new squad just arrived and is in the fence area of Public Works.

A recommendation was made to approve the Building Inspector/Zoning Administrator's Detailed Report.

A recommendation was made to approve the Police Report.

Public Works Committee: The Works Committee met May 10, 2006.

A presentation was given by the 4H Beaver Club. Recommendations were made for Administrator Ellisor and Street Superintendent Mead work with the Club and proceed with the project.

Recommendation was made to limit Annual White Goods pick-up and discontinue tire collection service.

It was recommended to allow hiring two Seasonal Employees for part time in the Public Works Department from May 1 to October 1.

Discussed were the Rural Development Schedule and the South Side Utility Project.

Discussion was held on the Billing Contractor for Seasonal Work.

A recommendation was made for Administrator Ellisor present costs to Council for a Street light to be installed at the West end of Center Street.

It was recommended to approve the public works report.

Policy & Procedures Committee: The Policy Committee met May 11, 2006.

Recommendation was made to refer ordinance amendment relating to Street Superintendent position to Council for approval.

Discussion was held regarding the regulation of pets at the property on South Linden Street.

Dr. Susan Krebsbach D.V.M. of Creature Counseling, L.L.C. from Oregon Wisconsin gave a presentation regarding reason to oppose pet limit laws and answered questions and referred to Wisconsin State Statue 0173 and 0951. Dr. Krebsbach also would donate time to neutering up to 30 cats per month, if taken to her office in Madison.

Heidi Shields with Worthy Paws also volunteered to help.

Discussion was held on limiting number of cats and the registration/licensing of cats. Administrator Ellisor will get more information regarding this issue.

The committee discussed Ordinance 11-6-3 (h) relating to public nuisances affecting health that refers to noxious odors.

Board of Review: The Board met May 11, 2006.

Nominations were cast for Romell for Chairperson of the Board.

Nominations were cast for Eggebrecht for Vice Chairperson.

The Assessment Roll was not complete and the Board will adjourn until June 29, 2006 at 5:00 p.m.

Adams County Fire District: The District met May 11, 2006.

There was no quorum present.

Discussed was the Adams Columbia Electric tower.

Chief reported there were 10 calls since the last meeting.

Report of City Officers:

Mayor Romell:

Mayor Romell reported the project is progressing well. The crews are digging and curb work is continuing. Gasser was paving Elm Street by the Community Center. The south side lift station has been leveled and ready for blacktop and fencing.

City Administrator:

The meeting last week with Rural Development went well. The loan closing date is scheduled for July 14, 2006. Administrator Ellisor commended Attorney Pollex for meeting the stringent requirements and commands in getting the finalization completed for the loan. The closing date was pushed back for further construction to be completed and more money expended for closing on the loan.

Other project activity is the installation of the radio read meters that will be continuing throughout the summer.

Tentative approval for converting hardware and software upgrades to computers for the Geographical Information System (GIS) involves installation of digital photography and layering attachments for properties in the system. The City will be working with MSA.

City Attorney:

The OWI trial last week was successful. There are no trials on the schedule at this time. The South Industrial park wood/log contract is ready for pickup. He will be attending the three-day Municipal Lawyers Convention next month.

Chief Gold:

Chief Gold reported there were 354 calls for service, 32 case numbered incidents, and 4 traffic accidents. A total of 51 arrests were made; 40 adult and 11 juvenile. A total of 3,800 miles of patrol were performed in April.

The new squad car has been delivered, the conversion has started, and he will be working on setting up the computer system this week.

The old squad is back and in service.

Street Superintendent:

Street Superintendent Mead reported on the Rural Development project, the water and sewer mains are completed on Liberty Street and crews will move to Cedar Street. Walker Street received the first layer of pavement. Paving will continue on North Linden, Center, State and Liberty Streets. He stated that the east side streets that have already received the first layer are being prepared for the second layer. Approximately 95 percent of the sidewalks and driveways are completed on the east side (south of Grove Street.) Top soil has been continuing into the terrace areas with seed and straw covering to be completed by the end of the week.

The campers were here for two weeks, they worked on cleaning up the tennis courts, raking the parks, planting trees in the nursery and renovating Lions Park with topsoil and seed.

New and Unfinished Business:

Mayor Romell read the Street Superintendent job description. LaQuee would like to include “Monday through Friday” in the typical work week.

Motion by LaQuee, second by Hardin to authorize Administrator Ellisor and Street Superintendent Mead to work with the 4H Beaver Club for installing a 50’ x 50’ Wild Flower/Butterfly park in the area of the Community Center. Roll call vote, all voted aye. (The City will do the preparation and the Club will plant and maintain it thereafter.)

Motion by Williams, second by Hardin to install two fiberglass light poles on West Center Street. One pole to be installed near the end of the cul-de-sac and one between Juneau Street and the cul-de-sac not to exceed \$2,500. All voted aye.

Motion by Eggebrecht, second by Williams to allow the Administrator and Street Superintendent to hire two part-time Public Works seasonal employees annually, as needed in the department. All voted aye.

Motion by LaQuee, second by Williams to adopt Resolution No. 2006-16R (see appendix B of Minutes Book) addressing the salary, with attached benefits, for the Part-Time Police Officer. Roll call vote: Hardin, Jensen, LaQuee, Sherd and Williams – aye; Eggebrecht– nay.

Motion by Williams, second by Sherd to continue white goods pickup twice per year, limiting white goods to two items per household and discontinue tire collection pickup. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Eggebrecht to pay the bills. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Motion by Williams, second by Hardin to adjourn. Roll call vote, all voted aye.

Janet Winters
Deputy Clerk